

## Message Text

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EO 11652 NA  
TAGS: PGOV, ETRD, DR  
SUB: MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER: TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS

REF: A) SANTO DOMINGO 0931, B) STATE 16407,

1. IN MEETING WITH PRESIDENT BALAGUER DESCRIBED REFTEL A, I  
RAISED THE SUBJECT OF TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS. I EXPLAINED THE  
BACKGROUND OF DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF A  
VOLUNTARY RESTRAINT AGREEMENT AS COMPARED TO A UNILATERAL  
IMPOSITION OF QUOTAS. BALAGUER COUNTERED THAT ALL THE DOMINICAN  
REPUBLIC RECEIVED FROM THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY WAS  
EMPLOYMENT-NO TAXES OR OTHER INCOME. THE MAJOR WORK FORCE  
IN THESE FACTORIES CONSISTED OF WOMEN, HE CONTINUED. I NOTED THE  
PRESSURES ARISING FROM US TEXTILE MANUFACTURERS WHO HAD NO  
OVERSEAS OPERATIONS AND FROM THE US TRADE UNIONS WHICH STRONGLY  
CRITICIZED THE COMPETITION FROM CHEAP LABOR. I MENTIONED THAT  
53 PERCENT OF ALL COTTON BRASSIERES IMPORTED INTO THE US COME  
FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AND REPEATED THE REMARK OF A  
DOMINICAN FRIEND (FONSEC JIMENEZ) UPON HEARING THIS STATISTIC:  
"I HAD NOT REALIZED THAT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC WAS PROVIDING  
SO MUCH SUPPORT TO THE US." THIS BROKE BALAGUER UP FOR A COUPLE  
OF MINUTES. UPON REGAINING COMPOSURE, HE AGREED TO SEND A  
NEGOTIATING TEAM TO WASHINGTON THE FIRST WEEK IN JUNE.

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